

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 14, and cancel claims 2-13 and 15-20.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### Listing of Claims:

### CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1           1.     (Currently Amended) A snap ring used in a hard disk drive, comprising:  
2           a ring having an interior contour that extends about an opening and has a non-circular  
3           shape including an inner surface a top surface and a radial surface that joins said inner and top  
4           surfaces, said radial surface having a radius of curvature that is between 40% to 85% of a  
5           thickness of said ring, ~~the interior contour having a first segment that is defined by a first radius~~  
6           ~~that is rotated about a first origin within the opening, and at least one second segment that is~~  
7           ~~defined by a second radius that is rotated about a second origin within the opening.~~
- 1           2.     (Canceled)
- 1           3.     (Canceled)
- 1           4.     (Canceled)
- 1           5.     (Canceled)
- 1           6.     (Canceled)
- 1           7.     (Canceled)
- 1           8.     (Canceled)
- 1           9.     (Canceled)

1 10. (Canceled)

1 11. (Canceled)

1 12. (Canceled)

1 13. (Canceled)

1 14. (Currently Amended) An actuator arm assembly for an information storage

2 device, comprising:

3 an actuator; and

4 an actuator pivot bearing; and

5 a snap ring retaining the actuator pivot bearing relative to the actuator, the snap ring

6 comprising an interior contour extending about an opening and has a non-circular shape

7 including an inner surface, a tope surface and a radial surface that joins said inner and top

8 surfaces, said radial surface having a radius of curvature that is between 40% to 85% of a

9 thickness of said ring, the interior contour having a first segment that is defined by a first radius

10 that is rotated about a first origin within the opening, and at least one second segment that is

11 defined by a second radius that is rotated about a second origin within the opening.

1 15. (Canceled)

1 16. (Canceled)

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